

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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COATINGS FOR IMPLANTS)	

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2006. Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.